IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

May 8, 1860.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Thomson submitted the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Jane W. Brent, widow of Thomas Lee Brent, praying for a pension, beg leave to report:

That it appears from the records of the War Department that Captain Brent graduated at West Point in 1835, and died, in service, at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas Territory, on the 10th January, 1858.

It also appears from the records of the Surgeon General's office that

he died of "chronic pleurisy."

Your committee were referred by the Surgeon General to Surgeon John M. Cuyler. He says: "I do not, at this time, recollect that he (Captain Brent) ever mentioned to me that he was sick while he was

there, (Mexico.'')

His services were highly meritorious, as shown by the records, but not more so than many others whose widows have never been allowed pensions; and your committee discover nothing in the case calling for special legislation; they, therefore, recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be denied.